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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Executive Director Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A)
Docket No. 2021-89-E (Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)
Docket No. 2021-90-E (Duke Energy Progress, LLC)

Dear Ms. Boyd:

On March 26, 2021, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP," and together with DEC, the "Companies") filed a letter with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") requesting the Commission hold the procedural schedule in the above-referenced dockets in abeyance and allow interested parties until April 30, 2021, to provide an alternative procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration. Chief Hearing Officer David Butler subsequently issued Order No. 2021-36-H scheduling oral argument on the Companies' request.

Oral argument was held on March 31, 2021, and counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"), Carolinas Clean Energy Business Association ("CCEBA"), and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy/South Carolina Coastal Conservation League ("SACE/CCL") participated. The Companies understand the Commission's concern regarding the need to ensure sufficient time is permitted for the Commission's consideration of the facts and evidence prior to issuing a decision in these dockets within the time period required by Act 62. Accordingly, upon consultation with ORS, CCEBA, and SACE/CCL, the Companies propose the following procedural schedule, which closely resembles the Commission's initial schedule set forth in Order No. 2021-166, but provides additional time for the parties to review each other's testimony:

DEC/DEP Application: April 22, 2021 DEC/DEP Direct Testimony: May 17, 2021 Intervention Deadline: June 11, 2021

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DEC/DEP Rebuttal Testimony: July 7, 2021

Surrebuttal Testimony: July 21, 2021 Hearing: Week of August 2, 2021

In order to achieve this schedule, the Settlement Agreement from the 2019 avoided cost proceeding must be amended to provide flexibility with regard to when the results from the Solar Integration Services Charge independent technical review will be presented to the Commission. The Companies are working with the parties to the Settlement Agreement to propose a modification for the Commission's consideration. However, in the interest of time and given the quickly approaching Application deadline, the Companies are presenting this procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration, and will submit a proposed modification to the Settlement Agreement in the near future.

The Companies appreciate the Commission's consideration of this proposed revised procedural schedule in these dockets.

Sincerely,

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